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REPLY TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response dated June 26, 2002, applicants submit the following remarks:

<u>REMARKS</u>

. Notification of Defective Response dated June 26, 2002 stated that the current tra/slation of the application into English is defective because the number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation are not the same.

Applicants stated on page 3 of the response submitted on April 30, 2002 that